

1-1 By: Seliger S.B. No. 284  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 4, 2021; March 3, 2021, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Health & Human Services;  
1-4 March 22, 2021, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8,  
1-5 Nays 0; March 22, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Kolkhorst	X			
1-9	Perry	X			
1-10	Blanco	X			
1-11	Buckingham	X			
1-12	Campbell	X			
1-13	Hall	X			
1-14	Miles			X	
1-15	Powell	X			
1-16	Seliger	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to a study of out-of-state physicians who practiced in  
1-20 this state during the COVID-19 pandemic.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. DEFINITION. In this Act, "board" means the Texas  
1-23 Medical Board.

1-24 SECTION 2. STUDY. (a) The board shall conduct a study  
1-25 regarding out-of-state physicians who practiced medicine in this  
1-26 state during the COVID-19 pandemic pursuant to board rules  
1-27 providing for the waiver of licensing requirements during disasters  
1-28 and emergencies.

1-29 (b) In conducting the study, the board shall solicit and  
1-30 consider information from hospitals and sponsoring physicians in  
1-31 this state, as applicable, regarding the performance of a physician  
1-32 described by Subsection (a) of this section.

1-33 SECTION 3. REPORT. Not later than December 1, 2022, the  
1-34 board shall submit to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the  
1-35 speaker of the house of representatives, and each standing  
1-36 committee of the legislature with primary jurisdiction over the  
1-37 board, a written report that includes a summary of the study and any  
1-38 legislative recommendations based on the study.

1-39 SECTION 4. EXPIRATION. This Act expires September 1, 2023.

1-40 SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect  
1-41 immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members  
1-42 elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas  
1-43 Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for  
1-44 immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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